

## State of California—Health and Human Services Agency Department of Health Care Services



## In-Person Signature Requirement for Delivered Medications

June 21, 2021

In an April 28, 2020 article titled, "Temporary Suspension of In-Person Signature Requirement for Delivered Medications," the *Welfare and Institutions Code*, Section 14043.341 requirement that "providers who dispense controlled drugs, dangerous drugs or dangerous devices to a Medi-Cal beneficiary to maintain a record of the signature of the person receiving the drug or device" was waived pursuant to Executive Order (EO) N-55-20 in response to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) public health emergency.

EO N-55-20 will expire on June 30, 2021 per Governor Newsom's most recent EO N-08-21 (issued June 11, 2021) to lift specific COVID-19-related executive orders that were put in place since March 2020. The Department of Health Care Services will end this policy change effective July 1, 2021 for all programs. Beneficiaries and clients, or their representatives, will need to sign for medications in person from their home or sign onsite at their provider location.

Questions may be directed to the Telephone Service Center at 1-800-541-5555, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday (except holidays).

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